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# The CEC Insider

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### 8th Grade

#### Visitation Day

Thursday, November 18  
7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### 7th and 8th Grade Fall Frolic Dance

Friday, November 19  
6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

#### Open House and Registration

Sunday, November 21  
Noon to 2:30 p.m.

#### Thanksgiving Football

##### Game at Truman

Thursday, November 25  
10 a.m.

#### Scholarship Test

Saturday, December 4  
Arrive starting at 8 a.m.

#### School Musical:

##### *Thoroughly Modern Millie*

Thursday, December 9  
through Saturday,  
December 11  
7 p.m.

#### Christmas Concert

Tuesday, December 21  
7 p.m.

#### Don't miss out!

Stay up-to-date with  
CEC by checking out  
our website—

[www.conwell-egan.org](http://www.conwell-egan.org)—and

“liking” our  
Facebook fan page—  
[www.facebook.com/  
conwellegan](http://www.facebook.com/conwellegan).

## Message from the Editor

Greetings 7th and 8th grade students! Welcome to your new go-to guide to everything Conwell-Egan Catholic! This newsletter is designed specifically for students like you as you begin your journey as high-schoolers. In each issue, you will find information about current events at CEC, including sports, clubs, classes, and happenings exclusively for 7th and 8th graders.

Since this is *your* newsletter, we are holding a name-the-newsletter contest for 7th and 8th grade students to come up with an original name for it. The chosen name will be used throughout this school year, and an article will be featured in the next issue congratulating the winning student. The winner also gets a CEC T-shirt! Simply email me at [kmanto@comcast.net](mailto:kmanto@comcast.net) with your full name, grade,

school, and name for the newsletter.

Best of luck to you in making your high school decision! I look forward to meeting my young fellow Eagles soon!

Warmest wishes,  
Kristen



## Arkansas Comes to CEC EAST Lab

EAST stands for Environmental and Spatial Technology. It is a community service-based program focused on independent learning that allows students to use professional technology. Conwell-Egan Catholic is the only school on the east coast and the only private Catholic school that offers it.

On September 29, Jerry Prince from the EAST Project visited our EAST lab to host a seminar for 25 EAST students. He taught ArcGIS, a highly advanced mapping program that allows users



*EAST Initiative's Jerry Prince lectures EAST students.*

to view map data in a digital form and analyze it. Maps help with everything. Using ArcGIS, users can map out an oil spill or pinpoint the best location to build a new shopping center. The opportunities with the software are endless.

Students spent the day learning the basics of ArcGIS and how to design their own maps. Five students were chosen to stay after school for an additional session with Prince. They learned how to use the GPS Trimble and collected points around the outside of the school. They then used these points to create a map of the surrounding area, including the school's parking lots and sports fields. For more information about EAST, visit [www.eastproject.org](http://www.eastproject.org).



Honors Communications students present to CEC freshmen.



Netbook computers.



Mr. Wisniewski.

### Calling All Artists

CEC's Fine Arts department plans to include elementary school artists in this year's Student Art Exhibit and Spring Concert (Monday, May 9, 2011).

Each school may submit two works of art. Students from all grades can compete to be included in the exhibit, but 8th graders are eligible for a **\$1,000 art scholarship!**

To find out more, contact Mrs. JoAnne Gari at [jgari@conwell-egan.org](mailto:jgari@conwell-egan.org).

## Seniors Teach Freshmen How to Avoid Plagiarism

Did you know CEC students can choose from a lot of fun electives? One of these is Honors Communications, which covers topics like public speaking, creative writing, college writing, and media.

This year's seniors designed and taught a lesson on how to avoid plagiarism in 9th grade English classes to help the freshmen as they begin writing research papers in high school.

The presenters also learned how to work in groups, how to make and deliver a good presentation, and how to use presentation technology.

## Coming Attractions

- **Netbook computers** just arrived to be piloted by five teachers in all their classes!
- The main **lobby** is undergoing construction to give it a new warm, welcoming look—the perfect place for you and your friends to gather next year!
- Eighth graders: Register now to receive a **\$500 grant** toward freshman year tuition, thanks to our generous alumni!
- Next year, we are looking to introduce a new level of **instruction**. You can look forward to engaging, relevant classes!

## What's New in CEC Sports

This year, CEC is excited to welcome a new Athletic Director, Mr. David Wisniewski!

Some of you may already know Mr. Wisniewski from Queen of the Universe parish, where he, his wife, and his three children are long-time parish-

ioners, or through the local sports scene.

Mr. Wisniewski has coached basketball at Truman and George School and volleyball at Villa Joseph Marie. He was also Club Director of the Lower Bucks Lightning and Bucks

County Tigers basketball clubs.

Want more information on our sports programs? Call Mr. Wisniewski at 215-945-6200 ext. 232, or send him an email at [dwisniewski@conwell-egan.org](mailto:dwisniewski@conwell-egan.org).

## Homecoming 2010 Highlights



Events included a Powder Puff Football game between junior and senior girls, pep rally, Homecoming Dance, and Homecoming Football Game. We can't wait to celebrate Homecoming 2011 with you!